

ARMS CONFERENCE STRIKES NEW SNAGS AS END DRAWS IN SIGHT

PROBLEMS REMAIN TO BE SOLVED

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the armament conference for the last week, sharp difference of opinion has arisen which threaten today to make the closing days of the parley exceedingly stormy.

All along the line, from submarines to Siberia, the conference pail shows signs of becoming rocky. Hopes are entertained that the conference can conclude its work within two weeks, but a long-drawn-out discussion on any of the controversial questions yet to be disposed of will defeat those hopes.

France Obstinate.

France has signalled her acceptance of the Root proposal to outlaw submarines only in principle. An "acceptance in principle" is not regarded by the British and American leaders as signifying much else except a willingness to discuss the matter. They remember that France also accepted the whole Hughes program "in principle" on the opening day of the conference, and then almost wrecked the parley six weeks later by demanding great increases in her naval allotment.

Before France accepts the radical restrictions which have been proposed for submarines, she first wants the conference to settle the question of what constitutes a merchant ship. There were strong indications today that Japan and Italy, who have not signified any attitude toward the Root proposals, will also demand that the powers define merchant craft.

The Siberian question, the last on the conference program, has grown to mountainous proportions as a result of the disclosures made here by the delegates from the Far East republic concerning the alleged secret agreement between France and Japan which would allow Japan to dominate this vast Russian territory.

While the matter has been officially settled for the time being, by the indignant denials of the French and Japanese, the revelations made by the Chita delegates loom large in the conference background, and threaten to inject some sharp negotiating into the proceedings when the Siberian question is reached. Charges of Japanese intrigue in Siberia, backed up by documents that have an appearance of some degree, at least, of authenticity, have been shelved but not forgotten.

The test will come, officials said.

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THE AVENUE AT NINTH

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King Alfonso Plans To Visit America Next Summer

Monsignor Antonio Ray Soto, personal chaplain to King Alfonso of Spain, who says that the king will visit this country and Latin American republics next summer, if political affairs in Spain will permit the departure of Alfonso and Queen Victoria.



The prelate is a descendant of Explorer De Soto and is a literary figure in Spain. He is going to Florida to study the history of that State by Herando De Soto, of "Fountain of Youth" fame.

Today, when the United States proposes a resolution pledging the powers to get out of Siberia, and give the Russians a chance to work out their own salvation, free from the overwhelming menace of foreign encroachments on their territorial and political integrity.

LIQUOR AND STILL FOUND IN RUIN OF N. Y. CLUBHOUSE

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—Two stills, two barrels of liquor and nine barrels of mash were found by the police tonight in the fire-swept ruins of the Beechhurst Country Club at White Stone, which had been leased as training and sleeping quarters by Joe and Frank Wellings, professional pugilists. Fears were expressed when the fire broke out today that the Wellings brothers had perished, but the police learned that the Wellings had been seen after the fire, several miles away.

UPHOLDS DESTRUCTION OF BEER MADE AS MEDICINE

ST. LOUIS, Jan. 4.—A temporary injunction restraining prohibition officers from destroying beer made in anticipation of ruling permitting sale of "medical beer" under prescription, was ordered dissolved yesterday by Federal Judge Farris.

The injunction was sought by the Falstaff Corporation, which contended that Congress exceeded its power in declaring beer non-medicinal.

COAL GAS KNOCKS OUT 18 CIGAR FACTORY EMPLOYEES

YORK, Pa., Jan. 4.—Fifteen persons were made seriously ill by coal gas at the cigar factory of J. A. Doll in Saginaw yesterday. Eighteen employees on the second floor were affected, the effects of the gas being first noticed when an employee fell unconscious.

The proprietor, Frank Ely; Miss Mary Horner and Solomon Wambough are confined to bed in a critical condition.

OH, WHAT A PAL IS SAMMY!

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Will Dr. Root Write a New Quack Prescription to Quiet Siberia?

By POLITICUS.

The State Department has vouchsafed the highly important information that the Siberian question will be taken up by the Arms Conference "when it is reached on the agenda."

This means that the department is unwilling to meet the issue that has been raised by the reports that the conference is afraid to tackle the Siberian problem. These reports have been especially emphasized since the charges of a Franco-Japanese understanding have been made public.

The likelihood that the Siberian problem will be discussed at all is fading daily. The Conference has been having so much trouble with attempts to curb Japanese encroachments in China that it is willing to take any loophole it can find to slip out from under the Siberian difficulty. There are indications that it may attempt to satisfy an impatient world by indulging in another series of "Root resolutions."

Whenever the conference has had a particularly bad corner to turn, such as in the Chinese question and in the submarine controversy, Dr. Root has pulled out his little prescription pad and hurriedly written a "resolution" as a panacea for all conference ills. Thereupon the conference has usually swallowed the resolutions whole and prided itself on its latest diplomatic achievement.

More Prescribing.

So it is likely that Dr. Root will write another prescription to take care of the Siberian difficulty in the shape of a resolution that will solemnly proclaim the integrity of Russia and the equally solemn pledge of all concerned, including the Japanese, to evacuate Russian territories and restore them, in their original and unimpaired sovereignty, to the Russian people.

BAIL IN BURGLARY CASES IS BOOSTED TO \$15,000

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—In an effort to cope with the crime wave which is sweeping New York, Judge John F. McIntyre, of general sessions, yesterday increased the bail of two men charged with burglary from \$2,000 to \$15,000 each.

The decision to make bail requirements more stringent was reached at a conference of other judges of general sessions and District Attorney Benton. The police rounded up many accused men now out on low bail and brought them to court. In each case the bail was substantially increased.

VIOLENCE ON INCREASE IN ALLEGHENY COUNTY, PA.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 4.—That criminal activity in Allegheny county during the year of 1921 was greater than ever before in its history, according to the number of criminal cases disposed of, was the announcement of Chief Clerk George W. Connor, who made his annual report yesterday.

There were 4,600 criminal prosecutions in the county during the year, breaking the record set in 1920, when 4,141 cases were brought before the courts.

J. H. Russell Now Brigadier.

Col. John H. Russell, commander of the United States marines in Haiti, has been promoted to the rank of brigadier general, the Navy Department announced today.

CHILD MAY LOSE REWARD OFFERED FOR SLAYER

NEW CASTLE, Pa., Jan. 4.—Mayor S. A. Barnes announced last night that, in his opinion, the reward of \$500 offered by the city for information leading to the arrest of the assailant of Clara Belle Lennox, fourteen-year-old school girl, should be given to Evelyn Davies, aged six.

Mayor Barnes said that the girl had given the State material assistance in running down the alleged assailant. Thomas Verne Ryhal was found guilty of murder in the first degree by a jury in connection with the case a few weeks ago.

However, city counsel has pointed out that the reward was offered on the condition that the attack was committed within the city, and that the crime actually took place on the outskirts of New Castle.

HEIRS ATTEND FUNERAL TO PROFIT BY WILL

NORRISTOWN, Pa., Jan. 4.—In the audit of the account of the estate of Joseph Cassell, of Lansdale, in orphans' court yesterday, Samuel Conner, attorney, stated that by the will of Cassell his estate was to be divided equally among his nephews and nieces on condition that they attend his funeral or have an excuse which satisfied the executor.

Mr. Conner announced that all the seven nephews and nieces had attended the funeral and are entitled to share in the estate.

WOMAN NAMED FORECASTLE COP ON YANK LINER

NEW YORK, Jan. 4.—Appointment of a woman—Mrs. Mary Kohn—as master-at-arms or forecastle "cop" of the United States liner Pocahontas, was announced yesterday by T. H. Roebottom, general manager of the line.

Mrs. Kohn, a stewardess, is Irish and confident of keeping the huskies in the forecastle as quiet as doves.

Koreans or Chinese, but of driving out white Russians.

Ever while the Japanese pretend to join with the other patrons in a formal "respect" for the integrity of Russia, 50,000 Japanese soldiers stand on Russian territories and are undertaking new aggressive movements to fasten the Japanese power on the mainland of Asia. Twenty thousand Japanese soldiers hold Vladivostok and some 40,000 square miles of territory adjacent to that important port, while 30,000 other Japanese soldiers hold more than 300,000 square miles in the Saghalin district of the lower Amur, besides the northern half of Saghalin Island, which belongs to Russia. Not only do they hold these territories, but they are exploiting them in every way, even to the driving out of Russian citizens and the enforced adoption of the Japanese language and of Japanese laws. The latest military movement by the Japanese has been undertaken to effect a juncture between the two armies and thus to control the entire maritime province of Russia, as well as the Amur railway from Khabarovsk to Vladivostok.

The success of this Japanese operation would mean the closing of all Russian Pacific doors to Caucasian commerce. It would leave Siberia at the mercy of the Japanese. Siberia, it must again be emphasized, is a white country, and its surrender to Japanese encroachment is a surrender to the yellow race.

American economic interest in this territory is fully as great as its economic interest in China. Besides this, the United States has a vital interest in the maintenance of Russian friendship which has meant so much to this nation in the past. To abandon Siberia to Japan would end that friendship.

It is too high a price to pay for an alliance with Japan—even although that alliance be diluted by the participation of Great Britain and France.

Col. Pope Put On Board.

By direction of the President, Col. Francis H. Pope, Quartermaster Corps, has been detailed as a member of the Army Retiring Board, appointed to meet at Washington.

PROMINENT D.C. CLUBMAN FACES LONG JAIL TERM

Only Executive Pardon Will Save J. W. Henry From Six-Year Sentence.

Unless President Harding grants him a pardon, John William Henry, former well-known Washington broker and member of the Metropolitan, Chevy Chase, and other fashionable clubs, will soon be on his way to the Federal prison at Leavenworth, Kan., to serve the sentence of six years imposed by Justice Stafford in the District Supreme Court.

Following his conviction in Judge Stafford's court, Henry made an appeal, but the District Court of Appeals affirmed recently the lower court's action. This morning District Attorney Peyton Gordon filed a motion in the Court of Appeals asking that it send to him its mandate for the carrying out of the sentence by Henry.

Henry was convicted of embezzling four certificates of stock entrusted to him by John Helms and the latter's mother. He was tried twice on the charge, the first in 1915 when he was convicted and sentenced to eight years in the federal prison. The District Court of Appeals, however, set aside the conviction on the ground that the Government failed to prove the value of the securities.

He was retried by the Government in March, 1920 when he was again convicted.

H. P. DAVISON'S DAUGHTER WED TO ARTEMUS GATES

LOCUST VALLEY, N. Y., Jan. 4.—Miss Alice Trubee Davison, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry P. Davison, was married here yesterday to Artemus L. Gates, son of Mrs. E. L. Gates, of Clinton, Iowa, and a former Yale football star.

The ceremony was performed in the Episcopal Church of St. John's of Lattintown in the presence of 200 relatives and friends, many of whom came here from New York on special trains. The bride's father, a member of the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co., was unable to attend.

Fleet Maneuvers Shown.

Motion pictures of battle maneuvers of the Atlantic fleet were shown last night at the Arts Club. Capt. William Wolff Smith presided in absence of Lieut. Comdr. Wells Hawkes, U. S. N., who received orders Saturday to accompany the fleet to Guantanamo Bay for the spring maneuvers. A dinner party for forty members of the club preceded the film.

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SOCIAL HYGIENE EXHIBIT AND LECTURES NEXT WEEK

Under the auspices of the District health office, the Public Health Service and the Social Hygiene Society of the District of Columbia, a social hygiene exhibit will be opened at 1222 F street northwest Monday and will continue for about a week.

The exhibit will consist of motion pictures on social hygiene and exhibits. Every evening a five-minute lecture will be given by some authority. The exhibit will be open for men only from 10 o'clock in the morning until 1 o'clock in the afternoon. From 3 to 6 o'clock in the afternoon women only will be admitted, while from 8 to 10 o'clock in the evening mixed audience will be admitted.

The object of the exhibit "to arouse interest in the subject of social hygiene and create enough sentiment to have Congress pass some sort of legislation on the subject. According to Dr. William C. Fowler, District health officer, the District is the only place in the United States which does not have social hygiene laws.

MOB VIOLENCE PROTECTED EVIL, JUDGE TELLS JURY

WACO, Tex., Jan. 4.—District Judge R. I. Munroe, in empanelling a jury for the new term here, declared "the darkest blot on the name of our States is that mob violence seems to be an established and protected institution."

The court charged the jurors to investigate the lynching December 13 of Curley Hackney, a white man, charged with attacking a girl.

BOARD OF EDUCATION MEETING POSTPONED

The meeting of the Board of Education scheduled today for 4 p. m. has been postponed until next Wednesday it was announced at the Franklin School today.

Due to the hearings conducted by the District Appropriations Committee of the Senate, the presence of board members will be necessitated elsewhere.

To Command Langley Field.

Lieut. Col. Charles H. Danforth has been designated as commandant of the air ship school at Langley Field, Va. Lieut. Col. Arthur G. Fisher has been designated as assistant commandant, while Maj. Harold A. Straum has been ordered to duty as instructor at that school.

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